



Definitions

Acute care hospital means a health care facility:

1. Where the average length of patient stay is 25 days or fewer; and
2. With a CMS certification number (previously known as the Medicare provider number) that has the last four digits in the series 0001—0879.

Adopt, implement or upgrade means (available for only 2011-criteria to qualify for a payment):

1. Entering into a contract to deliver or purchase certified EHR technology
2. Installing or commencing utilization of certified EHR technology capable of meeting meaningful use requirements; or
3. Expanding the available functionality of existing certified EHR technology capable of meeting meaningful use requirements at the practice site

Certified EHR Technology is a complete EHR or a combination of EHR Modules, each of which:

1. Meets the requirements included in the definition of a Qualified EHR; and
2. Has been tested and certified in accordance with the certification program established by the Office of the National Coordinator for Health Information Technology (ONC) as having met all applicable certification criteria adopted by the Secretary of Health and Human Services (HHS).

Needy individuals mean individuals that meet one of following:

1. Received medical assistance from Medicaid or the Children's Health Insurance Program
2. Were furnished uncompensated care by the provider
3. Were furnished services at either no cost or reduced cost based on a sliding scale determined by the individuals' ability to pay

Non-hospital based means the EP provides less than 90 percent of covered services in hospital inpatient, outpatient or emergency room settings.

Practices predominantly means an EP for whom the clinical location for over 50 percent of his or her total patient encounters over a period of 6 months in the most recent calendar year occurs at a Federally Qualified Health Center or Rural Health Clinic.



National Provider Identifier (NPI) The NPI is a unique identification number for covered health care providers. The NPI is a 10-position numeric identifier, with a check digit in the 10th position and no intelligence about the health care provider in the number. (See 45 CFR 162.406)

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